

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace paragraph 022 with the following amended paragraph:

[022] Figure 3 shows a rubber wall of an incision according to the invention produced in a tread;

Insert new paragraph 022.01 as follows:

Figure 4 shows a sectional view along the line IV-IV shown in Figure 3.

Replace paragraph 026 with the amended paragraph as follows:

[026] In the case described, the grooves 31 of the wall 2 form an oblique angle β equal to 25° with a direction perpendicular to the running surface of the tread (this direction is perpendicular to the direction in which the length L_1 is measured).

Replace paragraph 033 with the following amended paragraph:

[033] Figure 3 shows a wall 20 of an incision according to the invention, this incision being molded in a tread pattern block 10 of a rubber tread. This wall 20 of width L comprises undulations 11 about a direction X perpendicular to said width L (this direction X extends within the thickness of the tread pattern block 10), said undulations extending over this entire length L. These undulations are formed on the facing walls defining the incision and permitting mechanical meshing of one wall on the other when passing into contact with the roadway. Furthermore, the wall 20 comprises a combination of micro-level and macro-level roughnesses (the latter being in the form of ribs or lines of motifs in relief represented diagrammatically by the lines 310 and 410 which intersect and pass through one another to form closed recesses R therebetween, as shown in Fig. 4). The lines of relief 310, 410 extend obliquely relative to a line A oriented parallel to the running surface B of the tread.